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REMARKS

Claims 18 to 35 are pending. Claims 1 to 17 are canceled and claims 18, 20 and 23 to 25 are allowed. Claims 27 to 35 are new.

1. Claims 19, 21, 22 and 26 are rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. The indefinite language noted in the claims by the Examiner has been amended. In particular, these claims have been amended to more clearly define what is meant by an active material being in an un-cohesive state (not being firmly held together as part of a mass) and a cohesive state (firmly held together as part of the same mass). Support for this amended claim language is found in the specification at page 12, line 23 to page 13, line 6.

Reconsideration of this rejection is requested.

2. The abstract is objected to as being unclear as to what is meant by "cohesive form" and "un-cohesive form". Appropriate correction has been made and support for the amended abstract language is found in the specification as discussed above.

3. The allowance of claims 18, 20 and 23 to 35 is acknowledged by the Applicants.

4. Claims 27 and 35 are new and set forth further aspects of the Applicants' invention.

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It is believed that claims 18 to 35 are now in
condition for allowance. Notice of Allowance is requested.

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